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APPLICANTS : Daniel B. Carr *et al.*
ASSIGNEE : New England Medical Center Hospitals, Inc.
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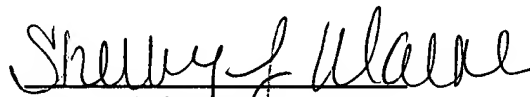
RESPONSE TO REQUIREMENT FOR RESTRICTION

In response to the December 14, 2000 Restriction Requirement in the above-identified application, Applicants elect Group I, Claims 1-17, drawn to a chimeric peptide in which the opioid binding moiety is a mu opioid receptor agonist, and a pharmaceutical composition, classified in class 530, subclass 300. Applicants are investigating inventorship of the present application to determine whether all of the named inventors contributed to elected group I.

Applicants have filed concurrently herewith a petition for a three month extension of time with a check to cover the \$890.00 extension fee pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.17(a)(3). With the extension, the response is due on or before April 14, 2001.

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